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In re Application of
Gustavo R. Paz-Pujalt, et. al.
Application No. 09/131,710
Filed: August 10, 1998
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed May 7, 2001, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed September 12, 2000, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. A reply under 37 CFR 1.113 is limited to an amendment that *prima facie* places the application in condition for allowance or a Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(b)). No amendment *prima facie* placing the application in condition for allowance or Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee) was timely filed, but a (1) month extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned after midnight January 12, 2001.

The two-month period for filing an appeal brief in triplicate (accompanied by the fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(c)), runs from the date of this decision.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 1700.

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